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Hongkong, March 5, 1908.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY
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of the above Company will be held at
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11.30 A.M., to receive a Statement of
Accounts to the 31st December, 1907, and
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 15th to the
26th March, both days inclusive.
J. WHEELEY,
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Hongkong, March 9, 1908.

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26th March, both days inclusive.
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Hongkong, March 6, 1908.

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ANNUAL MEETING of Share-
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a Statement of Accounts and the Report of
the General Managers for the year
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LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, February 10.
The China Society had a very enjoyable
function on Thursday evening, the new
Chinese Minister, Li Ching-Fang, receiving
the members and their friends at a
conversation at Caxton Hall, Westminster.
His Excellency created the best impression
among the three or four hundred present,
for he was affability itself and I predict for
him a very popular period of office in
London.

Among those present I noticed the hon-
orary secretaries, Mr. Ivan Cheng and Mr.
Byron Brennan, Surgeon General Evans,
Col. Mayne, Mr. George Jamieson, Mr.
Lionel Giles, Mr. C. S. Addis, Sir John
McLeary Brown, Mr. Ljun (Counsellor of
the Japanese Embassy) and many other
well known people.

There was only a limited programme, the
committee deciding that the gathering
should be made as conducive to talk and
friendly reunion of old friends as possible.
But at intervals during the evening a
selection of vocal and instrumental music
was given and was much appreciated.
Miss Margaret Taylor, a very talented
violinist, well known in musical circles,
gave a choice rendering of D'Ambrosio's
"Campanella," accompanied by Mrs. Wil-
liam Brayton Slater. Later in the evening
the same player roused the warmest
praise by playing Liza Lehmann's set-
ting of "Annie Laurie" with a
strength of feeling only to be reached
by a Scotchwoman and a musical genius.
The duo, "Les Lointes d'Hoffman" (Offen-
bach), having been charmingly given
by Mrs. Martelli and Mrs. Inglis, Mrs.
Hakin played Chaminade's pianoforte solo
"Pierrette" in a manner that drew much
applause, to be renewed later when Mrs.
Inglis sang Tosti's Serenade. Finally the
Misses Agnes and Violet Molyneux per-
formed with great skill the difficult com-
positions for the piano and violin "Ballade
de Polonoise" (Vieuxtemps) and "Zi-
gungeweisen" (Saravate).

The only speaking part came to the lot
of Mr. Ivan Cheng, who mounted the plat-
form to explain to the audience the signifi-
cance of a great rubbing exhibited at the
back of the stage. He said it was exhibited
by Mr. George Jamieson and came from a
temple in the province of Chekiang. The
temple was rebuilt in the Sung dynasty
and the tablet was erected in celebration
of the rebuilding. Incidentally Mr. Cheng
got in one of his quite little hits at the
British which always elicits his speeches.
He possesses a humour that is positively
Scotch in its "pawkins." Later, of
course, we have been hearing much of
saving Crosby Hall, the old historic build-
ing in Bishopsgate Street, from the wreck-
er who bent his looks upon it in the idea of
tearing it down to make way for modern
commercial offices. We talked and talked
but we did not subscribe to any extent, so
Crosby Hall has gone.

That is where Mr. Cheng got his idea.
He said, the Chinese were very proud of
their old buildings and were keen in main-
taining them—"as keen, or perhaps
jealous, than you were in regard to Crosby
Hall." It was a palpable hit, and the East
was promptly assured by a laughing
audience that the West felt the point.
During the evening light refreshments
were served, and much time was pleasantly
spent by people who after glancing
round the room, hurried over to some
group or other with the exclamation
"Why, I haven't seen you since we met."
—Well, it might be in Hongkong, or
Shanghai, or Tientsin, or Amoy, as the
case happened to fit. For after all this is
the kind of elchery work the China Society
is doing in London. It is a centre of
reunions, a perpetuator of friendships, a
comenter of Far Eastern interests.

Harry Thaw, the famous slayer of Stand-
ford White in New York, is according to
the latest news from America having a bad
time in the state asylum for the criminally
insane at Mattawan, and he is furious
at being detained there. The first night
of his incarceration he was placed in the
ordinary dormitory with a nigger in the
next bed on one side, and a mad Chinaman
on the other. The latter pestered him by
taking a fancy for him and constantly
came to tell him that he had an army
of ten thousand men on the other
side of the Hudson River ready to
come and rescue him. Thaw drove the
Chinaman away and raised such a dust
that the authorities at last agreed to let
him have a more private room. Still Thaw
will be some time before he can get
freedom. It is not bad for him and others
in America perhaps to learn that their
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SOUSA.—On March 15, at 40 Boonoo
Road, Shanghai, the wife of A. M. Souza,
of a Daughter.

MARRIAGE.

TUCKER-DONOVAN.—On March 10, at
the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. A.
J. Walker, WILLIAM ROBINSON TOWNSEND,
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late Major John Tucker, of Kilmore,
Dumfries, Co. Cork, Ireland, to MARY
GRACE, daughter of Charles Donovan, Esq.,
Indian Civil Service (retired) of Ummera
House, Timolague, Co. Cork, Ireland.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

11 a.m.—Auction of Electro-Plate and
Glass Ware, &c., at Mr Geo. F. Lam-
mert's Sales Rooms.

Meeting.

Noon.—Meeting of The China & Manila
Steamship Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

3 p.m.—Opening of Hongkong Yacht
Club's premises.

Goods per Japan undelivered after 4
p.m. this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

MONDAY, March 23.—
Goods per Tientsin undelivered after this
date at Noon will be subject to rent
and landing charges.

TUESDAY, March 24.—
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WEDNESDAY, March 25.—
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THURSDAY, March 26.—
Noon.—Meeting of The China-Borneo
Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Noon.—Meeting of China Sugar Refining
Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson
Co.'s Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Leong Sagar Re-
fining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine,
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FRIDAY, March 27.—
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MONDAY, March 30.—
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1908.

BLUE BOOK OF HONGKONG.

BLUE BOOKS as a rule are not particularly
enlivening reading—the average man
would not, for instance, lay aside one of
the Baroness D'Orsay's enthralling novels
to study a collection of figures relating
even to the Colony in which he lives.
But the Hongkong Blue Book for 1907
has much of interest to recompense the
one who makes an intelligent excursion
into its pages. Here are gathered to-
gether all the figures which show the
progress of every branch of activity in
the Colony. Do you seek for information
in regard to Revenue and Expenditure,
the Military Expenditure, the Political
Franchise (which is properly and with
rare candour, described as "nil")
Exchanges, etc., and any other infor-
mation relating to the Colony you can find
it in this publication. Turning to the
shipping statistics, which are of
supreme interest to those who have cast
in their lot with the Colony we find
that during last year 23,819 vessels with
a tonnage of 11,512,233 entered at ports
within the Colony. Of this number
5,238 vessels with a tonnage of
5,922,830 were British; showing that in
spite of the competition to which the
British shipping industry is subjected
it accounts for more than 50 per cent.
of the tonnage arriving at Hongkong.
We are sorry to have to find a fault

with this excellent publication but

we think public convenience would

be served if the total figures for the

previous year were given. It will be

of interest, though probably hardly a

matter of congratulation, to residents to

know that the military contribution,

against which so many emphatic but

utterly ineffective protests have been

recorded, amounts to \$1,214,340.05.

Probably, for just so long as the touch-

ing entry under "Political Franchise"

remains "nil" will this outrageous

burden upon citizens endure. However,

our purpose is more to give some

sort of a review of the Blue Book

than to preach a political homily.

Some of the entries in the index sound

pompous in the extreme. Consider, for

instance, this item: "Return of Rail-
ways, Canals, Roads, Telegraphs and
Telephones." This conjures up a visionof snorting locomotives, watchful signal-
boxes and bustling station yards, to saynothing of heavily freighted barges
being towed along by slow but sure
horses. But although this is but avision we can find comfort in the know-
ledge that in a few years it will be anaccomplished fact as regards the railway.
The Post and Telegraph figures disclose
among other things that this depart-
ment made a profit of \$12,731.98 onexchange. The total profit of the de-
partment was \$78,968.45. There is
always a certain fascination about figures
relating to crime and this is indulgedto the full in the Blue Book which
devotes twelve pages to the subject. A
comparative table shows that 11,540cases were reported to the police in 1907,
some 400 more than in the previous
year, but almost the same number as in
1905. The number of persons appre-
hended by the police or summoned
before the Police Magistrates was 19,716or about 500 less than the preceding
year. There is a mass of other infor-
mation in this publication which will repay
study but we think we have presented
as many figures as the average reader
will care to digest. Those whose crav-ing for statistics is not satisfied are re-
commended to study the Blue Book for
themselves.

Chinese pens are at a discount or

premium just at the moment and an

opportunity might be made by calling at
the editorial offices of the native papers
at Canton and Hongkong and collect-
ing the pens that are said to have been
thrown away. The Chinese editors in
expressing their indignation at the
manner in which the Tatsu Maru II
case was settled said that they threw
their pens away after writing the
pamphlet relating to the firing of 21
guns in honour of the Japanese flag.

Many writers have claimed that so far

from China being the child among na-
tions which must be taught to walk she
is in reality the grandmother who has
taught the others most of what they
know and could teach them much more
which they could learn with advantage.
Without going quite so far as this we
can admit that there is something in it
—as Daniel may have said when he made
a reconnaissance in force (of one) of
the lion's den. An American contem-
porary, from which we have not often
had the felicity to quote, the "Nebraska
State Journal," puts this rather well.
That journal, in the course of an article
in its editorial columns says: From the
time of Marco Polo and nobody knows
how much farther back the western
nations have been content to trail along
in the wake of China. Most of our
modern inventions and progressive cus-
toms prove in time to have originated
in China. When China decided a
couple of years ago to enforce a progres-
sive prohibition of the opium traffic
most of the United States from very
force of habit followed with a tremen-
dous attack on the whisky business. The
latest news from China indicates, how-
ever, that we have come to the parting
of the ways at last. The newest orders
against opium give all Chinese officials
the option of cutting out the habit with-
in three months or giving up their jobs.
Head officials are ordered to set the ex-
ample and are made responsible for the
abstinence of their subordinates. All
candidates for office, civil or military,
are required to sign the pledge. The
discovery of secret violation of the pro-
hibition will be followed by impeach-
ment. We may as well admit that
China has bluffed us out. Prohibition
is all right for the negro in the south,
and the "poor man's club" may have to
go, but to cut off the nip at the top
is too much. Hereafter we follow an-
other star.

show that this was only to be expected.

A new Treasurer comes into office. He

looks into the safe and an aching void

meets his expectant eye. His predecessor's

I. O. U's are becoming due and he has

to raise the financial wind somehow. A

happy thought strikes him. While

Ivan will resist any demand for taxes

with a club he will eagerly purchase

licenses to sell the deadly vodka to his

thirsty fellows. The financial tightness

is relieved by transferring, if we may be

permitted the feeble joke, the tightness

from the Treasury to the people. Thus

are the advocates of state ownership as

a panacea for all the social ills under the

sun utterly confounded.

The social condition of the Chinese so

far as Canton is concerned is undergoing

a change whether for the better or

otherwise it is unknown. In the future

history of China this change in society

will be noted, and it remains for the

historian to record whether the present

decade is a bright one or not in re-
gard to the increased liberty claimed
by females. During the past few years
it has been known throughout China
that what was called "the wind
from Europe and the rain from America"
have sprinkled over China with such
force that a rapid change took place;
which according to the opinion of the
Chinese public was in a sense neither ac-
ceptable nor applicable to the condition
of the people at the present stage. While
foreign education, from which immense
benefit is derived with regard to
scientific, industrial, and commercial
advancements, is eagerly being looked
for and appreciated by China and the
Chinese people, the habits and manners
surrounding the society of foreigners
which are gradually coming into Chinese
families are severely condemned by the
higher class Chinese for the simple
reason that the adoption of such habits
and manners at the present stage is
destructive. Perhaps they are right. In
a country where polygamy is allowed for
matrimonial decision to rest with persons
of immature age is deplorable and this
is the general condition which prevails
in Canton. Even in European countries
the parents are greatly hurt to find their
children declare their betrothal persons
whom they do not know, and it is much
more so in a country where from the
existence of mankind the gentle sex
have been taught that to abide by the
instructions of their seniors and to be
quiet and submissive is a virtue. It
behoves, it would seem, those of the
parents who have overlooked their
duties towards their children to revert
to the old customs until the proper time
comes. This belief is arrived at in
view of the many cases recently before
Canton courts in regard to misconduct
on the part of young women as well as
young men.

By the Peninsular and Oriental steamer

Marmora, which leaves to-morrow fore-
noon, a large number of local residents
will bid farewell to the Colony, some on
leave, while others are severing their
connection with Hongkong. Among the most
prominent are:—Vice-Admiral Sir W.
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Mr. and Mrs. F. Meikland, Mrs. Dooner,
Mr. E. E. Terry, Mr. Newton, Mr. S. C.
Khan, Inspector Macdonald and Sergeant
Gerrard.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

At the Criminal Sessions to-day four

Chinese were charged with defrauding a

Chinese contractor of about \$7500.

Evidence showed that the money was got
by means of a confidence trick.The charges against May Hempstead,
of Hollywood Road, and Ella Morrison,
of Lyndhurst Terrace, for keeping lodging
houses for women of ill-fame was heard this
morning at the Magistrate, but remanded
until next week.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice

Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to

acknowledge with thanks the following

donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

A. Kohn \$ 25

A. MacKenzie 10

For keeping a ferocious dog Mrs. Oliver

was summoned at the Magistrate, this
morning. Detective Sergeant Watt pro-
secuting. In answer to the charge the
defendant admitted that the animal had
bitten a Chinaman, but said that it was his
first bite. She promised to keep the dog
muzzled, and Mr. Hazeldorn ordered her to
pay \$5 compensation to the Chinaman.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA

AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.

THIS remedy has been in use for over

thirty years and has proved itself to be
the most successful remedy yet dis-
covered for bowel complaints. It never
fails. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

THE FLORIDA WATER CASE.

The case against the Kwong Sang shop,

of 246 Des Vœux Road, charged with sell-
ing Florida Water labelled in a manner
similar to that manufactured and bottled
by Messrs. Lamm and Kemp, of New
York, was heard at the Magistrate, this
morning. The masters of the shop were
charged with an infringement of trade
mark, the complainant being Mr. Lamperski,
of Messrs. Melchers and Co., local agents
for the New York firm. After evidence
was led the defendants were liberated on
bail of \$500 each.

AN INSOLENT SAILOR.

A British sailor was charged at the

Magistrate this morning with behaving in
an insolent manner and was sentenced to
21 days' imprisonment. It appears that
the defendant, who was apparently out of
work, went to see Mr. Shaw of the Cotton
Mills on Tuesday and told his tale of
distress. Mr. Shaw gave him a dollar and
told him to come no more. But two days
afterwards he again made his appearance
at a moment when Mr. Shaw was very
busy with his work. Defendant was fur-
ious at not obtaining an answer and insolently
asked "What do you mean by writing
when I am speaking to you?" Still no
answer being given the defendant left, but
was arrested by the police at Mr. Gegg's
office. The charge laid down against him
was for being a vagrant and asking for alms
in an insolent manner. At the Magistrate,
he stated that he came to Hongkong be-
cause luck was against him in Yokohama.
He was out of work and tried to obtain a
job with a Norwegian vessel, but on arrival
he was put off owing to his inability to
speak Norwegian. He was recommended
to the Rev. France, who however could
not do anything for him. He was accord-
ingly sentenced to 21 days' gaol.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lady and Miss Soutar are passengers by

the Marmora.

Bishop and Miss Scott are passengers by

the Marmora.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Potts arrived to-day

from Shanghai on the Marmora.

Mr. V. Lanning, the well-known Shang-
hai cricketer, is homeward bound on the
Marmora.

"Japan, the Ally of Britain," is the

title of a lecture to be delivered by Mr. W.
T. R. Preston, Commissioner of Commerce
for Canada, at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on
March 21.

Lady Lugard arrived by the English

mail, from Shanghai, to-day. Sir Frederick
Lugard personally met her Ladyship this
morning—being down early. Lady Lugard,
residents will be glad to know, has be-
nefited by her short holiday.

The Marmora is taking home quite a

ROYALTY AT VENICE.

A MEETING OF MONARCHS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 19.

The Kaiser and Kaiserin are due to arrive at Venice on the 26th inst.

King Victor Emmanuel, accompanied by Signor Tittori, Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs, are expected to arrive simultaneously.

The Kaiser will be accompanied by Herr Jenisch, of the German Foreign Office.

AN EXCELLENT SCHEME.

TRAINING RESERVE OFFICERS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 19.

An Army Order has been issued forming an Officers Training Corps, having for an object the training of students in the Universities and Public Schools with a view to fitting them to become special Reserve or Territorial Officers.

AUDACIOUS KEIR HARDIE.

SEEKS A LORD RECTORSHIP.

At Glasgow University.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 19.

Keir Hardie stands as a Socialist candidate for the Lord Rectorship of Glasgow University, against Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman and Lord Curzon.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

RUSSIA'S NAVY.

A Plea by Stolypin.

LONDON, March 18.

At a meeting of the Committee of National Defence Budget, a subcommittee of the Duma favoured the rejection of a credit for new battleships, pending the reorganisation of the Ministry of Marine.

M. Stolypin said the creation of a new fleet, which the Tsar had ordered, was impossible if reproaches continued to be levelled at the so-called Tsushima department. If money was refused for the fleet, the position of Russia would be lowered. Nations to hit hard blows must show vitality by striving with energy and eagerness for regenerations.

THE TROUBLE IN HAYTI.

LONDON, March 18.

The Government of Hayti has replied to the foreign representations regarding their request to allow refugees to leave the country, but insisting that the Consulates shall not be permitted to become asylums.

FOCK AND SMIRNOFF.

A Disastrous Duel.

LONDON, March 18.

A duel has taken place between General Fock and General Smirnov over a dispute concerning the execution of the Port Arthur Court Martial. General Smirnov was severely wounded.

THE BANK OF PERSIA.

Sir Thomas Jackson, Chairman.

LONDON, March 18.

Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart, has accepted the Chairmanship of the Bank of Persia.

DO NOT CROWD THE SEASON.

THE first warm days of spring bring with them a desire to get out and enjoy the exhilarating air and sunshine. Children that have been housed up all winter are brought out and you wonder where they all came from. The heavy winter clothing is thrown aside, a soft wave comes and influenza is prevalent. In this season are even more dangerous than in mid-winter, as there is much more danger of pneumonia. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, however, and you will have nothing to fear. It always cures, and counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

THE TATSU MARU CASE.

15,000 CHINESE RAIL AGAINST JAPAN.

Boycott Against Japanese Goods Declared.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 19.

The manner in which the Chinese Government settled the Tatsu Maru case with Japan has aroused intense feeling and excitement throughout the City and particularly as it manifest the whole of yesterday and to-day, and the official announcement has added fuel to the fire.

In response to the circulars issued by the Self-Government Society some five thousand persons assembled at the hall of the Self-Government Society yesterday and as many as ten thousand vied with each other to gain admittance into the more than crowded hall, despite the drizzling rain.

The speech by the Chairman, Chau Wai Po, who opened the meeting, set many of those present weeping. He laid stress on the imminent destruction of the Empire, the danger of the present and future generations becoming slaves. The manner in which the speech was delivered was such that the most traitorous person would feel a return of patriotism, and, as a consequence, when the chairman swore death against Japan he was followed by the whole congregation. These instruments of allegiance to the Society (whose object was to oppose Japanese in all measures, which might even result in death) were sent round to the assembly. As many as five thousand persons subscribed their signatures, addresses and places of birth.

Then the business of the meeting commenced. The first subject was to telegraph to all Chinese throughout the Empire and abroad news of the oath, and to implore their enlistment and co-operation.

The next subject to consider was the carrying into effect of the opposition. Suggestions took many forms, a boycott of Japanese goods being one. But the word boycott was not openly expressed, but it seems to be understood by all.

Then the wording of a wire denouncing the Waiwupu was discussed. The subject of appointing a delegate to wait upon the Viceroy was considered, and when the business was concluded cheers were given and the wishes of the congregation were that each of them might meet with death in the mission which they commenced to carry out that day.

The Delegate to the Viceroy.

The delegation to the Viceroy appointed by the meeting consisted of representatives of the Commercial communities of the neighbouring towns, including Hongkong. The party was led to the garden of the Viceroy's Yamen. The Viceroy was already informed of the prevalence of intense excitement during the meeting and feared that the wholesale suspension of business would take place.

The delegates addressed the Viceroy acquainting him with the dissatisfaction that prevailed among the people as to the manner in which the Tatsu Maru case was settled.

A Patriotic Viceroy.

The Viceroy spoke: Gentlemen, in dealing with this case I have from the beginning to the end done my utmost, laying my official rank and life at stake in order to get satisfaction. (Here the Viceroy was overcome by emotion.) I have wired time and again that the case he dealt with here in Canton according to treaty stipulations. I was reproached and charged with the fault of lowering the flag of a neighbouring nation, evidently under threat. But what honour and respect can be attached to a flag hoisted on the Tatsu Maru which was captured for going against the law? I am ill. This case has made me so. I have wired, and am willing to wire again, forgoing my rank if the case could be only dealt with according to treaty. The Waiwupu did not listen to me, and would not listen if I again wired. What more can I do now? I place myself in your hands. I will place your address before the Waiwupu by wire. I beseech that you will see that no serious disturbance will result. Tell the populace of my speech and inform them that I will do the utmost I can in the circumstances, and that my heart is always with the people.

The meeting with the Viceroy lasted till 5.30 p.m. when the delegates left.

How the Japanese Flag was Honoured.

The Canton press, in describing the apologetic ceremony which consisted of the firing of 21 guns and which took place at Whampoa at 9 o'clock in the morning of the 18th, unanimously declared shame to Japan as a nation who used force to threaten the weak neighbour and who would not allow a fair trial, and called upon the Chinese to follow Resolution 7 which has been unanimously passed at the first meeting of the Self-Government Society. The editors expressed their indignation by saying that they threw their pens away after passing this paragraph.

Telegram to the Waiwupu.

The following is a translation of the telegram despatched to the Waiwupu by the Self-Government Society:—

"The national flag of Japan on the Tatsu Maru which was captured for smuggling, was of no value, and yet we are

called upon to honour it, to buy the arms, and to release the vessel. This has gone too far. Now that you have not been able to observe the treaties, you have brought disaster to the Empire. We desire to record that the entire population of Canton do not recognise your action under plea of death."

The British Minister's Mediation.

The Tokyo authorities confirm the statement of the "Jiji Shinbun" reported yesterday with regard to Sir John Jordan's good offices in connection with the Tatsu Maru case.

China further asked Sir John Jordan's opinion with regard to the transportation of 1,500 tons of coal by the Tatsu Maru to Hongkong.

Sir John Jordan replied that there was no way open for China other than to comply with Japan's demands; but, he added, that the Japanese Government should consider a stricter control in future over the export of arms would be a natural sequel to the present settlement.

The consigner, in the case of the Tatsu Maru, has agreed to sell the arms and cartridges to China for a sum of upwards of yen 20,000.—"N. C. Daily News."

HONGKONG-CANTON RAILWAY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 19.

The Gentry of the Sun On District petitioned the Director of the Hongkong Canton Railway (Chinese Section) stating that the route adopted by the Company causes obstructions, and asking whether it would be possible for the Company to make some alterations. In reply to the petition the Director stated that it was not the duty of the Company to alter the route to meet the Hongkong section. He pointed out to the gentry the immense benefit and convenience of the line and told them not to overlook them on account of slight obstructions, which might be caused.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

KOWLOON & CAMBRIDGE HIGHLANDERS.

On the Kowloon Ground on Saturday at 2 o'clock the following will represent the home team:—S. Lightfoot, W. Dixon, P. Robinson, K. Macaskill, C. Libbard, H. Moore, J. Clelland, H. Goldsmith, W. Edwards, J. Mead and another.

The Sergeant's Mess, R.A., will be "At Home" on the Civil Service ground to-morrow when a return match against Civil Service "A" will be played.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The following team will meet in a match to-morrow commencing at 1.45 p.m. MANCHESTER: R. Hancock, E. H. Hinds, Hon. Dr. Atkinson, A. Macdonald, Dr. F. H. Kew, Major MacFarlow, Major Hamilton, Capt. Bensley, R. A., and 3 Naval Men.

SINGLE: H. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, A. A. Claxton, H. R. Mackin, E. A. Fowler, L. J. Wishart, F. H. H. Stephens, W. A. Powell and 3 others.

League Cricket.

CRANFORD & POLICE.

This match will take place on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. on the Cranford Ground. The following will represent the Cranford Cricket Club:—L. E. Lamont (Capt.), R. Bess, A. O. Brown, H. L. Manderson, G. A. Hancock, E. Irving, L. A. Rose, M. E. Asger, F. H. Kew, H. Rapp, and J. D. Brown.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

LEAGUE TABLE.

Club.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Per Match.
Cranford	16	11	3	2	22	57.14
R. G. A.	15	9	4	2	18	36.40
Police	14	9	5	0	18	28.57
Police	14	8	6	0	16	14.28
Kowloon	16	8	6	2	16	14.28
Civil Service	15	6	7	2	12	8.00
H'kong "A"	14	4	8	2	8	23.33
3rd Middlesex	13	3	10	0	6	62.50
Departmental	16	3	13	0	6	62.50

Rugby Football.

The Hongkong Rugby Football Club will play the Navy at the Happy Valley on Saturday the 21st inst. at 2.45 p.m. Referee, Mr. P. M. Hodgson. The Club will play in colours and will be represented by the following:—Full back, R. Hill; Three quarter backs, F. G. Carroll, A. O. Laug, J. F. Macgregor and Edmundson; Half backs, G. C. G. and A. Kempthorne; Forwards, G. D. Mollath, F. C. Hall, R. Munro, B. O. M. Johnston, P. Linton, Capt. R. Rankin, R. O. Hutchison and St. John.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting, to be held at the offices of the General Agents, at noon on Thursday, March 26:

The General Agents beg to submit to shareholders their report on the Company's business for the year 1907, with a statement of accounts to 31st December last. In consequence of severe competition in the China markets the price of Refined Sugar remained below the cost of production throughout the year, and exports to other markets were adversely affected by the high rate of exchange ruling.

Under these circumstances the output of the Refinery was much reduced, and the year's working resulted in a loss of \$279,371.34, which is carried forward to next Account.

CONVULSIVE COMMITTEE.—This consists of the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, O.M.G., Messrs A. G. Wood and F. Matfield, who offer themselves for re-election. Mr. A. J. Raymond resigned his seat on his departure from the Colony.

AUDITORS.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs W. H. Potts and H. Pory Smith, F.C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1908.

THE DUEL.

GENERALS FOCK & SMIRNOFF.

Character Sketch of the Combatants.

[By Lieut. Rudolph Beck, recently of the Detached Garrison of Port Arthur.]

A telegram published in another column announces that a duel has taken place in Russia between General Fock and General Smirnov, with serious results to General Smirnov. The cause of the duel was the finding of the Port Arthur Court Martial. Without hesitation it might be stated that this bloody combat will not be the last having as a cause the siege of Port Arthur. No doubt many ex-heroes who successfully evaded the deadly shells of Japan will ultimately spill their blood on Russian soil. But of Fock and Smirnov the time is opportune to give a sketch of the men and their characters. The blood of one or both would not be sufficient to wash out the disgraceful doings of the Russian patriots. This stain is indelibly stamped on the pages of Russian history.

The hero of the Russo-Turkish war, General Fock, who glorified himself on the hill of Shipka is an old man. Before the recent war he held a position as Chief of Brigade of the East Siberian Artillery at Dalny. Intelligent to a degree, he was gifted with considerable foresight, and seldom were his pronouncements wrong. He was proud; a lover of fame; conceited, and an intriguer for popularity. To ensure that his name would be known to many of the Russian people—to make the soldiers sing his praises—he would lavish dollars here, there and everywhere. "Send it to your wife," he would say to the monk who he handed him a small document, "and say that General Fock sent it," and the name of Fock, Fock, Fock, was sent broadcast about Russia. He lived for self-aggrandisement; his ambition was to be known as a hero. With the foreign correspondents he was constantly associated. He knew the value of the press, and the advantages to be gained by keeping friendly with the wielders of the pen. He was ultimately known by the appellation of "Old Fock," and was greatly lauded in the foreign press. He gained the title of General shortly before the war, and from the beginning of the campaign worked with remarkable application though not always wisdom in the preparation of the defence scheme.

At the end of 1903 General Fock, with his adjutant, Lieutenant Tsvetkov, went on an expedition to the Yalu River and made a close survey of the territory thereabouts later despatching to the Viceroy a lengthy report setting out the topography of the country and emphasising strategic features. In the organisation of the scout service he was a leading officer, and was in the forefront in the development of the Kwangtung defences. At one time General Fock believed that he would be despatched with his brigade to the Yalu River, but the Viceroy and his staff did not desire energetic officers there and Fock was not sent forward, nor was he called on the Military Council which examined and prepared the later defences of the fortress of Port Arthur.

As a soldier and a tactician Fock's methods were out of date. The fortifications on the Yalu were his work, and their style was on the lines of those which were in vogue in the Russo-Turkish war. The Russian was distasteful to Fock. However, his work in the defence of the Kwangtung coast will always stand to his credit, for it was due to his energy that the Japanese were kept off in the early stages. Fock lost most of the power he might have wielded by his inordinate love of flattery. The workers among his officers were soon replaced by shallow-brained flatterers, and his chief of staff Dmitrievsky was a young man only of speech, a born flatterer and a coward—a man who at the Court Martial recently turned traitor on his old General and gave damning evidence against him. Fock was by no means a brave man himself, however. The battle of Nanshang the resultant panic promptly condemned him as a tactician and proclaimed him a coward. The loss of that position was due only to Fock's early desertion of the first line of defence.

Everyone in the fortress knew well that after this Fock could not continue his command as Chief of Defence, and public opinion was confirmed when shortly afterwards he was replaced by the unfortunate General Kondratenko. Fock had no liking for this General. Continually he intrigued against him—and whenever possible levelled abuse at him. Particularly did he wish to disturb the friendly relations existing between General Stossel and Kondratenko, but his efforts were futile. Until Kondratenko was killed Stossel remained his friend. On December 16, 1905, Kondratenko was killed in Port No. 2 and Fock replaced him as Chief of Defence—his old post. The replacement of Fock in the premier position with regard to the defence was pernicious. Fock surrendered position after position to the Japanese, and for ever fostered the idea in Stossel's mind of the surrender of the fortress. In the Military Council Fock proclaimed the necessity of surrender, and in memoranda Fock wrote in such deprecatory style that he completely demoralised the men. His sneers at the incapacity of others were no doubt warranted, but affect they had upon the rank and file was disastrous. Never did Fock appreciate the Artillery. Officers and men came in for his abuse almost every time he visited the batteries. There was no love lost on either side, however, and the artillery were not slow to show their disapproval when the appointment of Fock was announced. Seldom did he appear in the batteries when firing was going on. The bursting of Japanese shells was not the

sort of welcome General Fock liked, and the artillerymen adopted the device of suddenly firing a gun or two whenever they wished to get rid of him. "Who ordered you to fire," he once yelled at a group of gunners. "You traitors—you will waste all the shell in Port Arthur," and quickly the General fled from the position, knowing well the shot was bound to draw fire from the Japanese—and he had no love for that sort of thing.

General Stossel liked General Fock because the latter, whilst loving flattery himself, was also an adept in the art, and both Generals were companion enemies of General Smirnov. As a prisoner of war Fock was at Nagoya, Japan, and there wrote his memorandum. Later I met him in Manchuria, and he, thinking he was a valuable hero, continually derided the Japanese. At a lunch at Harbin when the prisoners of war returned he made a speech avowing that Russia had not lost the war. "I was in Japan," he declared, "and having examined the matter have come to the conclusion that Russia has not lost the war—that the fall of Port Arthur is nothing!" "Hurrah!" shouted the officers of the army. All smiled at this delusion of the General, and staff officers inquired as to the meaning of the speech. "Your Excellency," answered one officer to General Linivitch, "he received a contusion on the head in the war with Turkey." "Um!" grunted Linivitch.

Personally I heard Fock explain to soldiers of the Manchurian army the reason of the fall of Port Arthur. "The soldiers," he said, "would not fight, and stole the provisions—and the officers were incapable." The speech dealing with this matter I reported in the "Nori Krai," and General Fock ordered my arrest, but his order was not confirmed. And such a man was Fock, one of the "heroes" of Port Arthur, who has now triumphed over his old Port Arthur enemy.

Fock has a very old mother. This old woman was sure that her son would never entertain the idea of surrendering either himself or any position he might be in charge of. In 1905 I read an interview with this proud mother in a Russian paper. She declared to the interviewer: "My son will never surrender himself, he will kill himself first," and the old woman sobbed bitterly. But Fock disappointed the expectations of his mother and the Russian people. He did not kill himself—he surrendered.

And who is Smirnov? He was highly educated—a man who finished in a Military Academy, as an engineer and an officer of the general staff. At the commencement of the war he was Commandant of the Port Arthur garrison, and being a well educated military man quickly understood that Port Arthur was not a garrison which could be of service in a war. He regarded the place as a trap, and when Stossel usurped the power as Chief, Smirnov did not much like the prospect. When the garrison was later discontented with Stossel he made no effort to allay the feelings of the men. His policy was to lay low—to wait his day. His sagacity told him that he would yet see disaster come to those who opposed him and set themselves in the seats of the mighty. And it came in time.

During the Court Martial of Stossel every opportunity was taken by Smirnov to defame the defendant. Smirnov enjoyed a much better position than his enemy. During the siege he declined all responsibility, willingly accepting the orders of his superiors, but at "underground engineering" he proved himself superb. He obtained the assistance of a correspondent and through this man fired criticisms and accusations against Stossel. The correspondent proved the best defender of Smirnov's interests during the siege and after the war. At Port Arthur Smirnov never visited the batteries unless absolutely compelled to do so and at all times kept himself away from possible future condemnation. When the future had a bad time in store for those who assumed authority, he was quite willing and content that others should take all the authority that they felt disposed to accept.

General Kostenko, a very great friend of Smirnov, not so long ago sent a book at Stossel's request to Smirnov, and the result of Smirnov's cunning and the efforts of his friends was that he was not punished nor censured. A man who does not lay himself out to ensure his own safety. I can confirm that Smirnov did actually nothing in the defence of Port Arthur, but almost forgot one work for which he was responsible. He put up a high tower of timber as a sighting station to observe the direction and effect of shells. This idea was costly to Port Arthur, because the Japanese used it as a range finder and so their bombardment became intensely increased in effectiveness.

It is true that Smirnov, with the help of Kondratenko, explained many ideas to Stossel and most of these were correct. It may be asked why did he not go personally to the batteries and explain his ideas? I can confirm that Smirnov did not go to the batteries, but he was responsible. He put up a high tower of timber as a sighting station to observe the direction and effect of shells. This idea was costly to Port Arthur, because the Japanese used it as a range finder and so their bombardment became intensely increased in effectiveness.

When Smirnov arrived in Manchuria from Japan after the war I was a guest at a dinner given by General Linivitch. Smirnov was also there, and in a conversation told me that he would shortly go to St. Petersburg and I would then be found that Stossel would be made to answer for the fall of the fortress. About this time the newspapers began to question Smirnov's conduct, and though it is impossible to give an outline of their protests, I can confirm that Smirnov had created great discord in the garrison and inflamed the officers and men to take sides against one another. Well he understood that Stossel was not fit to control the fortress, but he, for reasons explained, refrained from taking any action to remove him.

In private life Smirnov is an agreeable gentleman, highly educated, and a good conversationalist. In Turkestan and Russia he was loved by his officers and men. At this moment he is of great assistance to the Russian army, and I think there is no general in Russia so capable as he is. He has the advantages of education and experience. Had he not chosen to be a passive resistor in Port Arthur he could have been a valued member of the Council. The memoranda of Fock and Smirnov which will certainly be printed eventually should prove of immense interest to the military staff of all nations.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, February 21.

Army reform is notoriously difficult. In recent years Mr Brodick and Mr Arnold-Foster burned their fingers in essaying the task. Mr Haldane has been thus far more fortunate than his immediate predecessors. He started with the confidence of a party which commanded a great majority in Parliament; and among his political opponents there was a generous disposition to give him a fair chance. But the situation is nevertheless unsettled, and unsatisfactory, especially in Scotland. Glasgow, Paisley, Edinburgh and Dundee are all places where Mr Haldane has made grievous mistakes. And the pity of it is that they might all have been avoided by the exercise of a little common tact.

A large number of Volunteers are to be compulsorily disbanded. In his laudable desire to secure a more efficient force for home defence, while restricting its numbers, Mr Haldane has been led to propose schemes of reduction in districts where Volunteering is strong, and of increase where the spirit of Volunteering is weak, that much more of mechanical calculation resting upon cartography and population than of a real appreciation of the living spirit of local military enthusiasm. Thus the Edinburgh establishment is threatened with excessive restrictions which have been protested against but have not yet been officially removed, for reasons, it is understood, connected with finance. In Glasgow, the 2nd Battalion of the High and Light Infantry Volunteers is threatened with disbandment, despite the fact that it is a thorough going state as regards recruiting, and it has recently built headquarters at a cost of £13,000, and incurred additional expenditure in the adoption of the kilts. In Dundee, the fate of one of the Black Watch battalions is causing much irritation. The authorities have spoken several voices about it and no one seems to know precisely what is to be its ultimate fate. Mr Haldane's Procrustean method of lopping off healthy corps is, indeed, condemned all over the North. The feeling is strongly entertained that it is unwise to proceed in such a fashion until it is ascertained how the new scheme will work out, especially in the country districts.

The new Attestation Order is another example of Mr Haldane's tactlessness in dealing with a force composed of civilians, and its publication has caused uneasiness, not to say dismay, even in the good recruiting centres as Midlothian and Lanarkshire. To flourish pens and pencils, including imprisonment with hard labour, is not the way to attract young men to the uniform of the Territorials.

It is of any interest to the Scot abroad to learn that the two Scottish Land Bills, have been read a second time in the House of Commons after four hours' debate apiece? He need feel no shame for his want of patriotism if he has to answer "No." Truth to tell, the Scot at home takes as little interest in the matter as he does. The Bills are rarely mentioned at Kirk or market, in the club or in the street. And this although it has been proclaimed with loud voices and from the house-tops, that if these Bills are not passed in law, and without amendment, the Scotch people will be the losers. The House of Lords, there may be some excitement at Westminster over the debates and the speeches on the Bills; certain it is that to the North of the Channel in the country to be legislated for there is not the smallest sign that we are in the midst of a great constitutional crisis.

The Lords have prepared their counter demonstration against the Land policy of the Government with great skill. Their two Scottish measures, Lord Camperdown's dealing with the Lowlands and Lord Lovat's with the Highlands, have been produced and passed through their first stage. Not for a few weeks, however, will the battle be joined between the forces of the Ministerialists and the Opposition. Until then the public will be apathetic—unless something extraordinary happens—and they will be only slightly concerned with the speeches in Parliament, whether delivered from the green benches of the Lower House or the red benches of the Gilded Chamber.

In an hour or two after the posting of this letter, an interesting and picturesque ceremony will take place in the M'Dewan Hall. Lord Rosburgh, on behalf of the Edinburgh Branch of the Victoria League, will present over fifty flags to the school children of Edinburgh. Sir Ludovic Grant will preside, and 1500 boys and girls, representing the various schools, will be present. For many years we have been accustomed to praise the cult of the flag as it obtains in the Colonies; but we are slow in the Mother Country, and this is the first attempt on a large scale to introduce this pretty detail of patriotism into Scotland. Of course, we have the usual protest from our Humanitarian friends, who are saying that the flags will "foster an objectionable military spirit in the children."

A Life of Roderick Macdonald, M.D. has just been published. He was well known in the Far East, devoted his life to China, and after twenty-five years' service in that country his name was added to the long roll of martyr missionaries. As you will remember, while returning from Canton to Wu-Chow, the steamer in which he was travelling was attacked by a large band of pirates. The Captain was one of the first wounded, and Dr Macdonald was shot dead while attempting to his injuries. In a volume of less than three hundred pages, his widow has told the story of his many-sided work. It is that of a man whose life was wholly devoted to the welfare of the Chinese, and it is calculated that he had treated something like one hundred thousand patients. But he attached as much importance to missionary and industrial as he did to his medical work, and the story of what he did in all three capacities will stimulate the interest of readers in religious and humanitarian service. Among many who wrote of the value of the work accomplished by Dr Macdonald is Surgeon-General George Ewart, late principal medical officer to H. M. Forces in China, who says:—"Dr Macdonald's splendid work for charity and civilisation can never be forgotten by those who saw it." And in his young days when he left the University of Edinburgh in 1881, Professor Chalmers wrote:—"I have observed in him much that will make him the friend as well as the skilled adviser of his patients." In conclusion, let me say that in his letters Dr Macdonald writes as strongly as does Dr Griffith John of "China's awakening."

COMMERCIAL.

According to Japanese papers, the negotiations concerning the introduction of foreign capital by the Kioto-Osaka Electric Tramway Company are making good progress. It is said that the money will be supplied by South American capitalists. Baron Shibuya is assisting the Company in the matter.

The "Asahi" is responsible for the statement that the negotiations between the Kaneguchi Spinning Company and a French Syndicate, through Messrs. Gysin Freres, for donation of a foreign loan amounting to ¥3,000,000, are making favourable progress. The contract will be signed shortly on terms favourable to the Spinning Company, whose interests in the matter will be taken charge of by the Mitsui and Mitsu Bishi Banks.

The Kobe Savings Bank on March 11 suspended payment for a week. Its capital is ¥100,000, of which only ¥62,500 is paid up, the reserve is ¥7,000, and the deposits amount to ¥800,000. The advances are stated to be ¥700,000.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:— On the 20th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen quickly over Japan, and risen moderately over Central and Southern China.

A depression, which developed over W. Japan yesterday, is this morning moving Eastwards over S.E. Japan.

The anticyclonic area is lying over the Yangtze valley.

Gradients are rather steep

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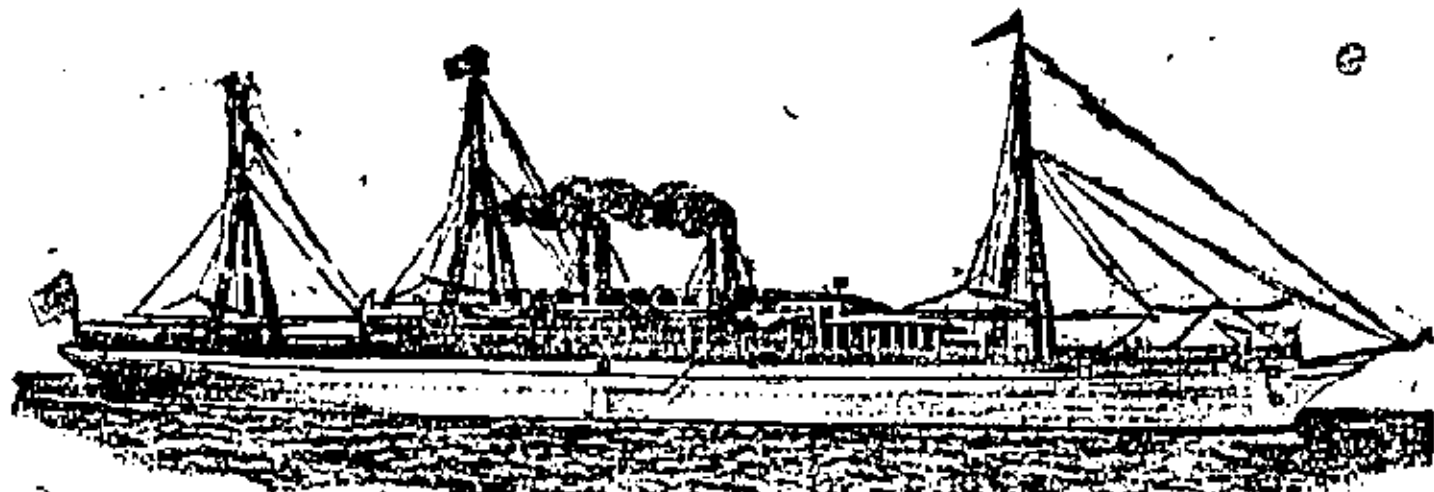
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EMPIRE OF AUSTRALIA	FRIDAY, May 22	Arrive Vancouver
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MARSHALLS, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	AWA MARU, Tons 6309	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, Daylight.
	TAMBA MARU, Tons 6134	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SATTLE, WASH., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU, Tons 6301	TUESDAY, 31st Mar., at 4 p.m.
	TOSA MARU, Tons 5813	TUESDAY, 14th April, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU, Tons 3816	FRIDAY, 20th March, at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Tons 5538	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	YEBOSHI MARU, Tons 4097	SATURDAY, 21st March, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KAMAKURA MARU, Tons 6126	SATURDAY, 21st March, at Daylight.
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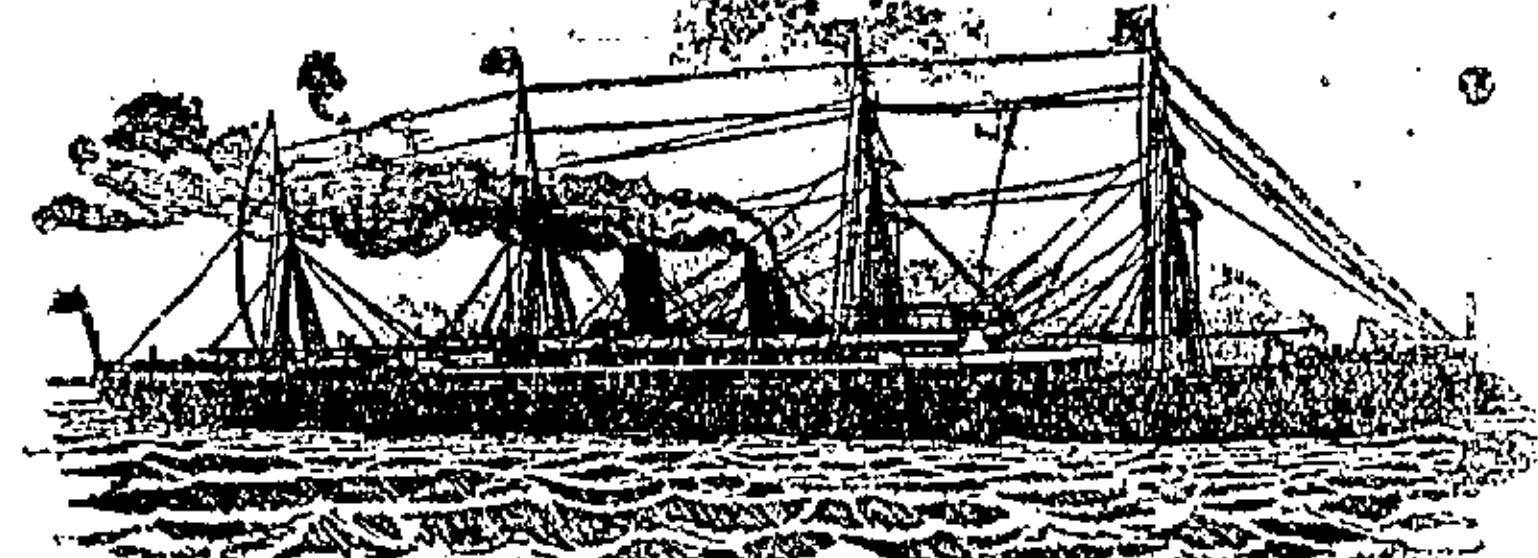
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* SIBERIA	SATURDAY, 18th April, at Noon.
* CHINA	SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.
* MANCHURI	SATURDAY, 2nd May, at Noon.
* NIPPON MARU	SATURDAY, 9th May, at Noon.
* ASIA	SATURDAY, 16th May, at Noon.
* MONGOLIA	SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
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HOUSE OF LORDS JURISDIC- TION.

Evidence From Hongkong.

An Irish divorce case was heard on Feb. 7 before the Lord Chancellor and Lords Macnaghten, Robertson, Atkinson, and Collins. Mr. James Roberts said that the petitioner, Mrs. Honoria Hurly, for whom he appeared, was married to Mr. Maurice Randall Hurly, now a major in his Majesty's 93rd Burma Infantry, in 1896, at the parish church of Tralee, co. Kerry, both being domiciled in Ireland. In July of last year the petitioner was granted by the Irish Court a decree for divorce *mens et thoro*, and had since obtained a Bill for divorce which was set down for second reading. At the second reading of the Bill it would be necessary for the petitioner to prove to the satisfaction of the House that the respondent had been served with due notice of the steps which the wife had taken. The husband was now with his regiment at Mandalay, and the present petition was brought by the wife asking for two things: first, for leave to use the evidence of certain witnesses taken on commission at Hongkong, put in at the hearing of the Irish suit, which evidence was absolutely necessary to establish the truth of the preamble of the Bill; and, second, that the necessary documents should be sent out by registered letter to a solicitor resident at Mandalay, who personally should serve the respondent, and that his affidavit should be accepted as proof that the respondent had been duly served.
Mrs. Hurly was called, and, in reply to a question put by her counsel, said that the solicitor at Mandalay knew the respondent and herself well.
The petition was granted.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

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THE Steamship Japan, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 21st instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. Consignees of Cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, March 19, 1908. 441

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STEAMER TOURANE.

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MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London

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Optional Cargo will be discharged here,

unless notice to the contrary be given im-

mediately.
No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Claims must be sent to the Office of the

Undersigned before Noon, on the 24th

March, 1908, or they will not be recog-

nized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and

any Goods remaining in the Godowns after

the 24th March, 1908, will be subject to

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Head—Ngan Tau	... 85
Heart—Ngan Sam	... lb 12
Humpt—Ngan Kiu	... 19
Feet—Ngan Kerk	... each 7
Kidneys—Ngan Yiu	... 10
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Pigs' Chittings—Chi chong	... 23
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Fry—Chi Chak	... 16
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Heart—Chi Sum	... each 7
Kidneys—Chi Yiu	... 8
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Leg—Chu Fat	... 23
Pak or Lard—Chu Tau	... 18
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Veal—Ngan Chai Yuk	... 20
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Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai	... lb 23
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Fat	... 30
Ducks—A	... 24
Doves—Fai Kan	... each 15
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	... per dozen 22
Fowls, Canton—Kai	... lb 22
... Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	... 27
Geese—Ngai	... 20
Goose, Wild Shai—She Yee Ngot	... pair 1
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	... each 1
Uare, Shanghai—To Chai	... 1
Portridge—Che Kaa	... 65
... Hainan—Shan Kai	... pair 1
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	... each 3
... Hainan—Hoi Hoi Pak Kap	... 28
Quail—Um Chan	... 22
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk	... dozen 1
Suip—Sa Chuy	... each 24
Turkeys, Cook—Phor Kai Kung	... 60
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Crabs—Hoi	... 20
Octopus—Muk Yu	... 14
Dah—Sa Mang Yu	... 15
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